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CARE FOR INVALIDS

THE HIGH PURPOSE OF THE LOUISVILLE COSMOPOLITAN

SANITARIUM AND INFIRMARY

Forty Thousand Colored Citizens in Kentucky's Metropolis Cry Out for Improved Medical Facilities—Want Institutions of our Own.

Special to the Freeman.

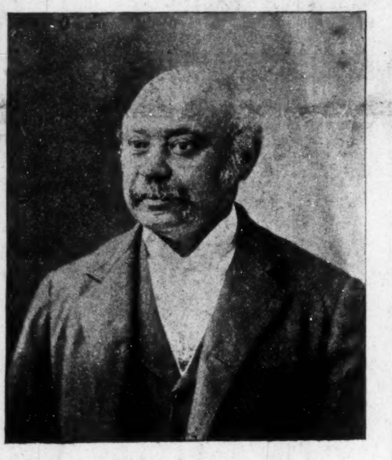
The Negro is growing more self-reliant Oppressive conditions have so stirred his combative spirit toward meeting and overcoming them that almost unconsciously he has developed in strength, and has become aware of his vast and inherent power. Caution is being replaced by daring venture. Fear gives away to confidence, and the Afro-American nature is being permeated throughout with the leaven of Independence. We have courage but lack means. We have brains and intelligence but lack opportunities. These deficiencies hamper our efforts and retard the progress which would otherwise be registered in our favor. To foster our infant ambitions to the point where the race can sustain its own institutions, help must be asked of the wealthy, the affluent and dominant class.

In response to this recognized spirit of the age and the admitted preference of the Negro for enterprises managed and controlled by brethren of his own blood, a cotiere of reliable men have laid plans for establishing in the Kentucky metropolis "The Louisville Cosmopolitan Sanitarium and Infirmary." Such an institution will supply an urgent need in Louisville, the State of Kentucky and contiguous territory. The urgency is made especially emphatic when it is called to mind that there is no place among the fine infirmaries owned by the wealthy class of that city, to which colored invalids are welcome, that the Children's Hospital is for the white children only; that the colored people fear the City Hospital because of the poor accommodations for members of the race, and the absence of personal sympathy in treatment; also for the reason that physicians of their own race although their choice have no authority to visit them as official or professional business men. When the situation thus presented is duly considered, the wayfaring man will readily see that 40,000 Negroes of Louisville ask only that which is absolutely necessary, in calling upon the State and Nation to aid them in remedying a distressing condition.

The leaders of the movement design that the Medical staff of this Institution shall include the best educated and the most available men and women, white and colored, who are known to be conscientious and thorough in the performance of their duty. In connection with the infirmary will be eatablished a training school for nurses, wherein intelligent, industrious and good colored girls may fit themselves for the high position of trained nurse, thus opening to our young women a lucrative field and one to which they are well suited. They are preferred in the best families and are n variably reccommended by the best physicians. The sanitary instruction disseminated by this institution will be of vast influence among the people needing it and it alone will bring wonderful results from better living on the part of those who come in contact with the Infirmary or its officers. The work is endorsed by all the good people to whose knowledge it has come. Gov. Wm. O. Bradley, of Kentucky not only endorses it but contributes money, not to be heralded forth but to be used in promoting this laudable enterprise.

The character and standing of an enterprise is almost wholy governed by the reputation of probity, veracity and honest dealing of the men behind it. Following out this line of reason, the Louisville Cosmopolitan Sanitarium and Infirmary is indeed fortunate in its projectors, for they embrace a quartette of broad-guaged, high purposed and race loving men whose equal would be hard to find on the Continent, and whose energy, industry, resourcefulness and power of intellect are not surpassed by any similar number of representatives of any race. The mention of the names is sufficient to command the confidence of the people, for wherever the newspapers circulate their reputation is known and respected.

The president of the corporation is Dr. B. F. Porter at present Third Assistant Physician at Lakeland Asylum by the appointment of Governor Bradley. The secretary is Mr. John W. Mason Auditor of the Columbian Brotherhood of Honor. The treasurer is W T. Peyton, A. M M. D. Professor of the Theory and Practice of Medicine in the Louisville National Medical College Dr. Peyton has for years been considered by the people of the Falls City, friend and foe alike, the best educator that has ever been in the school work of the city. He has at different times had charge of Grammar, Intermediate and Normal schools. He is what is known as one born to teach and manage



DR. B. F. PORTER.

a school. As a physician, in less than three years active practice he leaped to the front ranks of the profession. While his inclinations lead him in the path of medicine, those who know him best say the people lose a valuable man in the educational field. Gov. Stephens of Missouri suggested his name to the Board of Regents of the Lincoln Institute as an available man for President of Lincoln Institute, but a tax payer of Missouri with credentials, equally as good was selected. As manager of secret societies he is well known. He established by visiting Indiana, the State Grand Temple S. M. T. He for six years was National Grand Master, U. B. F.'s. For four years he has been Sovereign Grand Inspector General of Scottish Rite Masonry for Kentucky jurisdiction and Deputy Imperial Potentate of Mystic Shriners for the same jurisdiction. He has brought the Columbian Brotherhood of Honor, a society on the same basis as Knights and Ladies of Honor, into praiseworthy prominence, giving scores of colored men and women clerical employment and contributing thousands of dollars for sick and for death benefits. He is Supreme Advisor of this excellent society. The general financial agent is Mr. Edward E. Cooper Editor and Manager of the Colored American, Washington, D. C., one of the most reliable and experienced men of the race. These officers are authorized by the Board of Directors to solicit money with which to place in active operation without delay, this Infirmary. It is hoped that the friends of the poor, the ostracised poor will contribute liberally to the affair. The national character and unimpeachable integrity of the principals named, are sufficient and ample guarantee that the funds collected will be wisely and honestly applied to the development of the work herein outlined.

It is to the keen vision and intelligent conception of the race's needs on the part of Dr. B. F. Porter that this very commendable enterprise has been set on foot. He originated the idea, planned out the ground work, and filled with enthusiasm over the magnitude of its possibilities called into counsel Dr. Peyton, and a few other leading citizens and perfected the organization which now invites popular support. Dr. Porter was born in Williamstown, Mass., in August 1847. He was reared in his native state and enjoyed the advantages of the common school until the age of thirteen when he launched out to care for himself. He entered the ministry of the A. M. E. church in May 1871, and shortly afterward married Miss Elizabeth A. Howard, a charming young lady of Springfield, Mass. The doctor was transferred from the New York to the South Carolina conference in 1873. At Cokesbury he became principal of

BISHOP ALEXANDER WALTERS,
President National Afro-American Council which met at Chicago, August 17-19.

the Payne's Institute, which was afterward developed into Allen University and was its first official head. In 1876 he was elected to the state legislature of South Carolina from the Abbyville district. He was a delegate to the A. M. E. conference in 1876, '80, '84, '88, '92 and '96. Believing himself adapted to the healing art, he took up the study and graduated from the Electrical University of Pennsylvania in 1878. He was promotor and executor of the Liberian Exodus Association and purchasing the ship Azor, sent 268 persons to Liberia, west coast of Africa in 1879. In 1884 he was transferred from South Carolina to the West Kentucky conference and stationed at Quinn Chapel, Louisville, and from 1888 to 1896 served as pastor and presiding elder. Taking a post graduate course in the Louisville National Medical College, he received a diploma in 1891. He is regarded as one of Kentucky's leading physicians. He is professor of nervous and mental diseases of Louisville National Medical College. He is popular with the masses and has held many positions of honor; among them, medical director and junior vice-commander of the department of Kentucky G. A. R. He was appointed in 1896 by Gov. Bradley as assistant physician and surgeon of the Central Kentucky Asylum for the insane which distinguished assignment he now holds. Dr. Porter has made a name that will live in history.

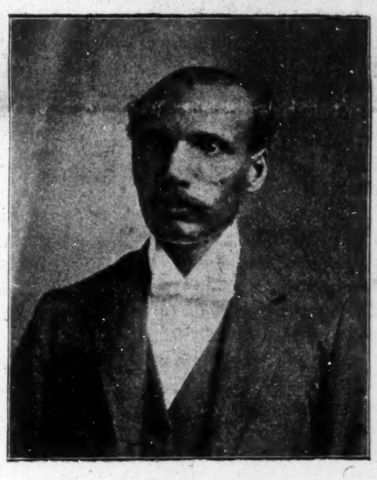
William T. Peyton, A. M., M. D., who has so ably assisted in the formation of the infirmary and borne the brunt of the fight for recognition, is a scholar, a gentleman and physician in the full sense of these words. For years he was identified with the public schools of Louisville, Ky., and his success in executive ability and teaching power has left an enviable reputation. The best men and women of the state, the Courier-Journal and other papers, say he is the best educated man in Kentucky. For nearly ten years he has been a member of the faculty of the Louisville National Medical College, and now is professor of theory and practice of medicine in the same. His wife is the only daughter of the late Sullivan Clarke, one of the best families in the Falls City His success as a physician has been phenomenal. Among his patients are all races. His office consists of a suite of three rooms with a valuable library, whose volumes take up one entire side of the room. In his profession, first as a teacher and late as a physician, he saw the great need of hygenic instruction for the masses; the need of trained nurses from the excellent girls who have no occupation, though not Caucasian, would be welcomed, the need of an institution in which the victim of alcohol, opium or other habits might be brought back to right living. Out of these demands has come his hearty co-operation with Dr. B. F. Porter to establish this sanitarium. Dr. Peyton is a thorough race man, and the restricted opportunities of his people appeal so strongly to his humane spirit that he is prepared to give the best years of his life to building up an institution where their physical wants may be relieved. He understands and sympathizes with the feeling against rough hospital treatment, and aims, through this sanitarium to do away with the apprehension now felt by poor colored people, whose ills unfit them for active duty.

The men should be encouraged. The country and the race should hold up their hands, giving them both moral and financial support. Money contributed to this praiseworthy enterprise, like bread cast upon water will return after many days. The success of such an institution as Drs. Porter and Peyton represent will go far to breed within the people the self-reliant and independent character so essential to its development.

News Notes.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

The Baptist are making preparation for the Baptist National Convention which meets here in beautiful Mt. Olive church this month. Hon. J. C. Napier attended the race council in Chicago. Mrs. H. G. Scales died on the 17th, and was buried from Mt. Zion Baptist church of which she was a member. Mr. H. C. Gannaway has returned from Chicago after several weeks stay there. The Y. M. C. A. located in the Napier court gave their first social on the night of the 17th. A number of young men were invited and the evening was pleasantly spent. Prof. W. S. Lewis furnished sweet music with his talking machine, while Mrs. Lewis, assisted by Miss Bessie Gill served refreshments to the men. Gen. Secretary Geo. T. Robinson in response to calls, spoke on the mission of the association and of how badly Nashville stands in need of a strong association. The association is about five months old and is growing. The reading room is provided with magazines, weekly and daily newspapers and the nucleus of a library. Donations of books are made almost daily. Steps are being taken to enlarge the orphanage for colored youth. At present the home consist of an acre of ground and a small cottage.



MR. JOHN W. MASON.

The idea is to buy a farm of several hundred acres and begin to take care of the orphans and aged of our race. Forty-five of Nashville's leading colored citizens including lawyers, doctors, ministers and business men are enlisted and success is assured, Dr. Preston Taylor heads the project. The Baptist Publishing house, managed by Dr. R. H. Boyd has two 2-story brick buildings and has 52 names on the pay roll instead of one building and 30 employes as stated in last week's issue. Damon Lodge K. P. gave a grand entertainment last week.

HEADWAITERS TO MEET.

Members of the Headwaiters Mutual Benefit Association Will Meet in Chicago Sept 20.

From the New York Caterer Monthly.

The Colored Head Waiters' Mutual Benefit Association will meet in Chicago, Ill., on Sept., 20, 1899. The aims and object of this association are to bring about a reform in dining room service, establish uniformity and to devise ways and means for starting schools in which waiters may be thoroughly trained. All head and second waiters are cordially invited to become members. Particulars furnished on application by secretary. Yours very truly, the committee, W. Forrest Cozart, chairman.

The following are advocates of the Colored Head Waiters' Mutual Benefit Association of the United States:—Committee W. Forrest Cozart, chairman, The Beckel, Dayton, O.; Jno. B. Goins, corresponding secretary, Hotel Nelson, Rockford, Ill.; F. C. Long, Colonial Hotel. Cleveland, O.; C. R. Johnson, The Lexington, Chicago, Ill.; Chas. E. Buckner, The New Tifft House, Buffalo, N. Y.; W. W. Banks, The Maxwell, Nashville, Tenn.: W. H. Vandusen, Tremont House, Chicago, Ill.; J. W. Eubanks, The Gault, Louisville, Ky.

ANNUAL ADDRESS TO

THE NATIONAL AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL AT CHICAGO BY

BISHOP A. WALTERS PRESIDENT

Jersey City N. J.—Why the Work of Organizing Will Progress Slowly—The Work of the Press—List of Officers for the Ensuing Year

Ladies and Gentlemen:—The former meetings of the National Afro-American Council which were held at Rochester, N. Y., and Washington, D. C., were for the purpose of effecting a strong racial organization, which would command the confidence and respect of Afro-Americans and fair minded Anglo-Saxons everywhere. In this we have succeeded admirably. The National Afro-American Council is to-day the recognized National Protective Negro Organization in America. It is so recognized by the President of the United States, leading members of Congress, some of our ablest jurists, and many of the chief officials of the States throughout the Union; also by our religious denominations, press and benevolent societies.

LOCAL COUNCILS.

During the year quite a number of local councils have been organized in different sections of the country. I had the honor as well as pleasure of organizing the councils at Washington, Philadelphia and New York. Mrs. Ida B. Wells-Barnett enjoys the honor of organizing the councils in Chicago. In many places Afro-American Leagues, Protective Unions and Civil Rights Clubs have changed their name to Afro-American Councils.

HINDERANCES.

There are several reasons why the work of organizing local councils will necessarily progress slowly.

1st:—Ignorance. Quite a number of Negroes are ignorant of their rights and the power of organized effort, hence they are indifferent to an organization which has for its objects the civil political, intellectual, industrial and social rights of the race. Liberty in the abstract has no charms for them. They see nothing in her for which to make sacrifices, bleed and die.

The pulpit, schoolroom and press have done much to prepare the way for organization, but more remains to be done before the masses take hold willingly and contribute cheerfully and freely to an organization such as ours. We must be willing to make haste slowly with our local organizations.

2nd:—Lack of funds. Another reason why we have not made greater progress with our local work is the lack of funds. We need agents to take the field to enlighten and organize our people, explain to them the necessity of combination in business, etc. To do this work successfully we must have money. We need it to enable us to publish literature, employ detectives to investigate certain things connected with diabolical lynchings like those which have recently occurred in Georgia, and to test the constitutionality of discrimanatory laws. I am sure there is enough wisdom in this body to inaugurate a plan which will yield sufficent revenue to run our organization.

3rd:—Another reason why our work of organizing local councils will be slow is a lack of confidence in each other.

This mistrust is the result of years of pernicious training by the slave owners The slaves were taught to distrust the thoughtful, liberty loving and courageous Negroes. They were considered dangerous and are so considered to-day.

The masses are informed by a certain class of whitesand Mr. Fortune's "good niggers," that their leaders are indifferent to their welfare, that the only desire of the leaders is to filch the pocketbooks of the ignorant and helpless. Such instruction is to a large extent the cause of the annoying distrust with which we are surrounded. It will require years

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BATTLING WITH PREJUDICE

—BY—

CHARLES ALEXANDER.

CHAPTER XII.

PERCY'S TREASURE.

The time having arrived for Percy to leave Natchez, and he having become intensely in love with Miss Clarkson, he caused her to believe that whenever he returned to the beautiful little city of his first love, he would take her hand in marriage. Although he had not indicated, intimated, or uttered a single word directly to that effect—still, indirectly all had been implied; so that Miss Clarkson felt at ease on that point. She made up her mind that she would never allow another to share her affections. Percy was her constant thought and she loved him with all her heart. According to her feeling in the matter, she would always love and think of him.

"He is the most gentlemanly young man I ever saw," she observed to her mother one day—"and he is so awfully serious and earnest about everything—O, don't I wish I had his sense." Her mother simply replied—"He's a chip off the old block, child, for his mother was the sweetest soul that ever lived."

Percy was busy for a great many days preparing his lectures, and on the day set apart as the time of departure he seated himself at his little table and wrote the following letter to Mr. R. H. Boyd, Ranton Plantation, Hard Times Landing, La.

My Dear Sir:

Permit me for the first time since I left your hospitable home, to thank you for the great favor conferred on me. I am putting, to very good use the money you gave me and am just about ready at this writing to start for New Orleans, where I will remain for a few days only. I have often thougt of the anxiety you manifested in my behalf, and I truly appreciate all you have done for me. I still find food for thought in my father's little book and have wondered why it was that you seemed so fond of it. Every time I read it, I see something new and worthy, something that seems to improve and help me, I thought once that I would wait until I had reached New Orleans before I wrote to you, but I feel somehow that you are interested in me, and I therefore could not resist the promptings in my heart. I have just been reading aloud to myself. I take great pleasure in doing so. I do not know whether the lines of Shakespear are true or not, but sometimes I feel quite sure that they must be. Remember that he said in one of his best effusions: "Men's faults do seldom to themselves appear." I try to discover my faults, but, perhaps, after all I cannot. I am still a student of science and evolution. I read today what Charles Loring Brance said on society; the words are healthy, helpful and wise; read them over and over again; you may see something in them that may cause you to determine certain things that occur about you from day to day. I take pleasure in copying a few lines which struck me as involving a great meaning. Here they are: "As a man develops and society advances, the races in which there is the highest development of sympathy, of benevolece, of sexual purity, of truth and justice, will tend to be the strongest in the body, the most closely united, the most prosperous, the most free, the most influential on inferior races, and the most powerful, as attracting other members to themselves. All the destructing influences of the world will be less operative on them. The death rate of such a race will tend to be the lowest possible; the physical vigor the highest; the inequalities of fortune will be the most conpensated for; the trade and intercourse with all other nations the freest; the laws and social customs will the most approach perfect justice and humanity; all resources and abilities of the most favored members will be habitually used for the most unfortunate, but only so far as to strenghten them. The power of such a race will far transcend anything hitherto known, for each member is permitted the utmost possible development of all his faculties and vigor of intellect is almost sure to accompany great moral advance." I admire this kind of literature, it contains something of special value to me. I know you will enjoy reading the paragraph that attracted my attention. I will send you my father's photograph as soon as I reach New Orleans. I only ask that you take good care of it and remember that the burning thoughts on the pages of the little book I keep near my heart, come from the brain of the man whose picture you will soon hold in your own hands. I will send for it after a little while and hope you will lose no time in forwarding it to me. I think Natchez a most delightful little city, and were it not a delicate subject, I would tell you of one of my conquests. I will not ask you to write now as I am not certain as to where I shall stop, but in my next letter I will send you my address so that you may communicate with me. Hoping that you are well and that crime is not increasing in your locality, I am

Very truly yours,

Percy.

Percy folded the letter, put it into a neatly addressed envelope and slipped it into his coat pocket to deposit in the mail box as soon as he started off. He still sat at the little table and soon became absorbed. "This is after all a most peculiar country; a man may have all the qualities of a great mind and yet an honest acknowledgement of them will not be accorded him. People are jealous, mean, deceitful, unreliable and false. Why is it? O, that I might solve the problem of life, O, that I might find the royal path in discovery, O, that I might cause true freedom of this race with which I am identified. O, that the burning heart in my breast might cease to trouble me. O that I might have justice meted out to that brute of the Forth of July. Up to the present time I do not even know his name, I have never tried to find it out. After all there is nothing in a name. A name may be easily changed; but I know the man, I will always know him, yes, as long as I live I will remember that cruel, heartless gaze; those vulgar, contracted features, that hideously bent form. I will not always remember, but I will always determine to have him brought to face whatever law there is in the state of Louisiana." At this point the door bell rang. Percy was interrupted, for Miss Clarkson called him.

"Mr. Williams, you do not look as well as you might; your cheeks are unusually pink and you appear to be agitated."

"I have been busy that's all; just been packing my little travelling bag."

"So you are going to leave us to-day?"

"Yes, I start for New Orleans, at four o'clock."

"I am sorry to see you go, Mr. Williams," said Miss Clarkson in a voice of tenderness.

Though Percy seemed to pay but little attention to her words they started the music of his heart to going, and he saw in them a deep deep meaning. He felt that they came from the heart that beat in unison with his own.

"Here is a gentleman to see you Mr. Williams," said Mrs. Clarkson, "he came from Hard Times Landing, some years ago, and, having heard that you had just come from there, he asked me to-day if he might have a talk with you. Mr. Williams this is Mr. Steffman." "I am pleased to meet you, Mr. Steffman."

"Mr. Steffman was not only an illiterate old man, but extremely ignorant, and practiced the habit of talking through his nose, which was not only annoying but disagreeable.

"Mistar Williams, I heard you jist cum from Hard Times Landing and I cum 'round to see and talk wid you, Kase I cum from dar myself,"

"Yes and what part did you come from."

"Ise from Ranton Plantation 'bout six miles from de landing'."

"Is that so, why I lived on that identical plantation for more than six months."

"Lordy, Mistah Williams, dat aint nothin,' I lived dar mor'n sixty years."

"Then I suppose you were acquainted with Uncle John King."

"Yas indeed, why Mistar Williams I knowed John 'fore he was born, Ha, Ha, Ha. Me and John uster race together pickin' cotton and hoeing corn, and everything. Us was little bits'r chillun t'gether and many a time have I outdone him in the June berry patch and pickin' up puckorns. 'Ise much older dan he am but I ken 'member jist de same."

"The old man is still living on the same old plantation." Is dat so, I was just gwine to ask if he was still on the old place."

"And did you know a white man with a sort of deformety, that makes a practice of killing colored men in that section?

'I don't know what you mean by 'beformety."

"I mean with a bent back."

"Oh, yas, yas, I 'members him well; guess I ought to; my lordy, he come pretty near killing me once. If I had'nt run off in de woods and walked down to St. Joseph to take de boat dar, I woulder ben a dead darky to-day, I would."

"Can you tell me his name?"

"Yas sir, his name am Isam Skinallton."

"Do you know many of the men who go with him?"

"Yas sur, dars one colored man, and five white men. One time dey kill lots of men on the lake. It was just after war."

"Have you ever seen him commit a crime?"

"Yas sur."

"When was it?"

"More'en seben years ago."

"What was the crime?"

"He shot a man right in the store where de people buy flour and coffee and such things."

"Was there anyone else in the store at the time?"

"Yas sur, four of the same people am living in Natchez now."

"Do you know where they are?"

"Yas sur, I ken find dem in less den an hour."

"All right, I may need you and those you speak of in a few months."

"What you gwine to do, Mistar Williams?"

"I am going to have Isam brought to justice."

"Course I don't want to disincourage you, Mistar Williams, but I don't frink it am possible to do anythin' wid him dar."

"You leave that to me," said Percy and the conversation was cut short. After the old man had gone and Percy had returned to his room he said to himself; Now I have a clear case, three witnesses, and the only thing to do now is to confer with the proper authorities. "Dear little book you will aid me, won't you?" taking up his father's book and looking at it as though he was gazing into the face of its dead author. "You will aid me, I know you will, for the heart from which sprang the wonderful ideas and thoughts you contain, was capable of conquering any and all things—but disease and death. "Books, good books are the greatest legacies ever left to the world. Nothing is more valuable to us today than the thoughts, prophecies, record of great deeds of and experiences of those who have passed away to their eternal rest. The philosophy of our age is but the development of the philosophy of ages gone by. Books are heart talkers. In them you find the true exposition of the true man. Seldom does true wisdom come to us through any other channel. The jewels of truth are to be found in the flowing rivers and springs of literature and all discoveries of science and art are to be found between lids of splendid volumes. Take books from the world and you rob it of its dearest treasurer. Break down the printing press and you smother the flames of a thousand ambitious souls. Burn all the precious volumes of poetry, history, romance, fiction and philosophy and you reduce to nothingness all that was elevating to the race and civilizing to every generation. Books are the chosen depositories of the thoughts, the opinions and aspirations of mighty intellects;—like wondrous mirrors that have caught and fixed bright images of souls that have passed away;—like magic lyres, whose masters have bequeathed them to the world, and which yet, of themselves, ring with unforgotten music, while the hands that touched their cords have crumbled into dust. Books; They are embodiments and manifestations of departed minds—the living organs, through which those who are dead yet speak to us. Books; they are garners in which are stored the wisdom bought by toil and study—the goergeous dreams of the poet. the maxims of the philosopher, the skillful delineations of the true observer, the histories of mighty deeds, the wonders of distant lands, the records of precious facts; the messengers which the wise and good send to us, laden with treasures from every mental want, and precepts for every duty. Among precious books Percy's was one, for, like the great propeller on the palatial steamship which ploughs its way through the mighty seas of liquid blue, it will help him to success; it will prove the propelling force of his life.

(To be continued.)

The Principal Events of a Busy Week.

Hannibal, Mo., Special.

Last week was a one of great interest and anticipation on the part of the good citizens of Hannibal as the meeting of the annual session of the U. B. F. and the S. M. T. of North East Missouri was held in this city. The session convened Tuesday morning with a large number of delegates in attendance, on Wednesday evening a grand reception was tendered the visiting delegates and members by the members of the lodge in this city. On Friday was given a grand street parade and picnic at the Cave Park. The installation of officers on Friday evening ended the session of notable gathering of colored people. Who by their gentlemanly and lady like bearing and appearance attracted the attention of the white citizens illiciting the commendation of the press. Chas. Stewart was here during the session and was cordially received by the white editors of the city. Chas. S. Sager produced for the second time "The Negro," a realistic Melo Drama of which he is the author, at the Park Opera house on Thursday evening Aug 17, assisted by some of the best home talent. The play was a success in ever detail and showed much improvement since the first of Aug. Chas. Sager is an artist of ability and his comical songs and dances were each time signal for an increased roar of applause. Prof. J. H. Pelham and Wm. Flannigan returned from St. Joseph, Mo. Friday night 18th after having attended the grand lodges of the Masonic Faternity. S. P. Rucker attended the annual session of the Grand Chapter in the same city last week. Any person desiring The Peerless Race Journal. Please call or address Wm. Wright 307 south Tenth street.

Just Out.

August 5th, 1899.

Editor of The Freeman:

I wish to announce to your many thousand readers that "Under Fire with the Tenth U. S. Cavalry" is at last out and ready to be delivered to any address in the United States or Canada, postage prepaid, at two dollars per copy. It is the most beautiful volume ever issued in the interest of the Negro race. It contains more than one hundred fine illustrations, is stamped in gold and silver, with a grand cover design in colors. Every Negro in this country ought to have a copy. We had to wait a long time; but we feel well paid for the tax on our patience.

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LOW FARE TO PHILADELPHIA.

Excursion via Pennsylvania Lines for National G. A. R. Encampment.

The thirty-third national encampment aud re-union of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at Philadelphia September 4th to 9th inclusive. For this event special excursion tickets will be sold to Philadelphia, via Pennsylvania Lines, September 1st, 2d. 3d. and 4th. inclusive.

Three forms of tickets will be on sale at special reduced fares which will be as cheap over the Pennsylvania Route as over any other.

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Tickets via Baltimore and Washington will be sold at the lowest one way rate and will be good for stop-over at Baltimore and the National Capital and also valid for an additional stop-over in each direction east of Pittsburgh.

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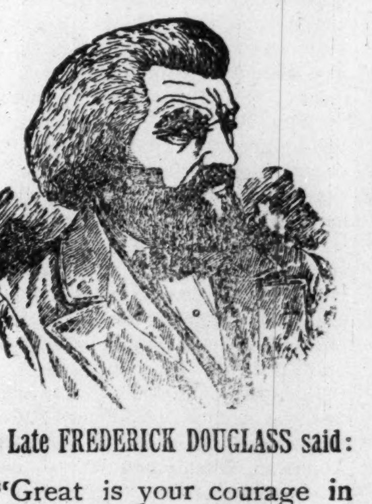

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Local Happenings.

Albany, Ga., Special.

Mr. Mack Thompson one of the prominent citizens of our city died on Monday morning, 14th inst. The funeral services were conducted by Revs. N. P. Dixon and Wm. D. Johnson, Jr. The remains were followed to their last resting place in Oak View Cemetery by a large concorse of friends. Mr. Thompson had been sick for more than thirteen months. He was prominent in Masonic and Pythian circles. He leaves a wife and two children and a sister to mourn his loss, besides a host of friends. The community extends sympathy. Rev. W. D. Johnson, Jr., pastor of Bethel A. M. E. church, this city was re-elected for the third time Deputy District Grand Master for the Odd Fellow's fraternity of this state at their Grand Lodge meeting at Washington, Ga. last week. He is a man worthily honored. Prof. Jas. L. Murray, principal of Albany Normal School has returned from his visit to different parts of Tenn. When you are in need of something to read call on W. H. Phipps and buy The Freeman, the acknowledged Negro journal, price five cents. Miss Louisa A. Wilson, of Cuthbert, Ga., was here on the 12th inst., on a business trip.

Gleanings.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.

Rev. T. J. Sercy. of Memphis has been called to the 1st Baptist church of East Nashville, and has accepted. He becomes the successor to the late Dr. R. B. Vanderval. Prof. J. W. Grant District Grand Master of Odd Fellows has returned from Jaskson where he attended the session. Dr. R. H. Boyd, secretary of the Baptist Publishing House, is off on an extended tour through Texas their native state. The Fisk Jubilee Singers left a few days ago on a trial tour through this state and north Alabama. The Christian Endeavor of Howard Congregational church enjoyed a social on Friday evening at the lovely residence of Mr. and N. J. Anderson, Hardee street. The officers are Capt. Geo. T. Robinson, president; Miss Nina Ervin secretary and Mrs. Dr. F. A. Stewart treasurer. The directors of the Y. M. C. A. held its monthly meeting on the 24ult. The Board was highly pleased, with the monthly report of general secretary Geo. T. Robinson. The association is moving along nicely. Dr. Preston Taylor addressed the asssciation last Sunday at the Lee avenue Christian church. The Orphanage and Old Folks directory re-organized on a larger scale with Dr. Preston Taylor, president. The board of directors was increased from 5 to 45. The Freeman is kept on sale at room 5 Napier Court. 411 north Cherry street.

Ignores his Critics.

Saratoga, N. Y., August 21.—Booker T. Washington. of Tuskegee, Ala., in an interview, said, with regard to the reports sent out from Chicago as to the assaults made on him by the members of the Afro-American Council at Chicago. last week, after Washington had left Chicago to fill an engagement in Saratoga:

"When I left Chicago it was with the very happiest understanding with all of the leading spirits of the council, from President Walters down, as to the good that could be accomplished along these lines, which I have taken no trouble to disguise as being what I regard as for the best interest of the race. Some of my race think I ought to participate in political activity and discussions. Personally I have not entertained this view, and shall not do so. There are plenty of others to do it. I shall continue in the future, as in the past, to devote myself to the moral, educational and industrial developement of the race. In this way I feel that I can be of more service at this time than in any other. Whatever a few critics may say in public and in private as to my work and as to my course, I have the supreme satisfaction of knowing I am sustained by that knowledge that I enjoy the confidence, the sympathy and the respect of the most thoughtful and forceful members of the Afro-Amer.-can race."

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A few bakery wagons may be seen going from house to house, and ice-carts and soda water carts, but beyond these, regular delivery vehicles are unknown.

Nor is the early morning made melodious by the clatter of milk wagons. Genuine cows' milk is a scarce article here. The water buffalo supplies most of the milk used, a snow-white liquid containing little cream and having a flavor none too pleasant to the American palate. There are a few Australian cattle kept in the suburbs of Manila, apparently of Durham and Devon extraction, but their milk is liquid gold in comparison with the other.

Instead of milk wagons, bare-legged milkmen trot about with long-necked jars, or bambooed cylinders hanging from either end of a pole carried on the shoulder.

All butter is imported in tins, and is a luxury for the rich only. With a luxuriant growth of grass the entire year this ought to be a paradise for cattle, and perhaps Americans will develop its possibilities in this respect.

The substitute for the butcher cart and the grocer's wagon is the basket of woven bamboo carried from the market on the head of a customer, almost invariably a woman, a term including girls of 10 years and toothless crones.

Everything to eat is sold at the "Mercado," of which there are half a dozen in the city. But let not the reader think of a market where crisp vegetables, fresh meat or clean fish tempt the eye. Let him rather picture to his mind a large building, an open court, or a group of bamboo stalls, dirty, vile-smelling and unpleasant to the eye, where crowds of women, sprinkled with the male servants of white residents, make their daily purchases and haggle as long over a 10-cent bargain as a white man would over a railroad contract.

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News in the Orient.

The following local items are alleged to be from the Cavite Chronicle shortly before the natives openly defied Uncle Sam:

Letters addressed to the following persons remained uncalled for in the Cavite postoffice:

Gen. Agostino.
Senor Armadillo y De La Plata.
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Ramon Huanacillo de Aguinaldo.
John Smith.

Notes of Interest.

Blackshear, Ga., Special.

Miss Carrie Williams who has been very sick is improving. Rev. John K. Rogers pastor of the Zion Baptist church preached on last Sunday from the text, "Our bones are dry and our hopes are lost, and we are cut off for our part." Rev. J. E. Cole of the A, M. E. church, returned last week. Quite a party went over to Savannah on the excursion last week, also to Jacksonville.

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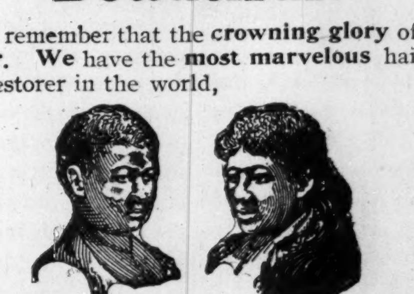

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SOME ADVICE.

A few days prior to the Afro-American Council session at Chicago, the Washington Post contained an article inspired by Hon. H. P. Cheatham wherein he unbosomed himself as to his notion as to what that body should or should not do. The advice was, doubtless, given gratis. But notwithstanding free opinions and advice are generally valueless, yet the article in instances gave advice that the body could well afford to heed. It may be safe to say however, some of this advice fell short of its purpose owing to the smell of political tinkering, the same kind possibly of which that body was so carefully warned. For he says: "Its appeal, then, must naturally be addressed to all the people." It appears that from this happily worded expression, that there was some interests to be preserved from assault. What interests were they?

Mr. Cheatham says further:

Any policy which stirs political prejudice, and arrays one large segment of the body politic against another. I deem unwise and dangerous to the perpetuity of the organization. The council's safest course would be to steer clear of shoals likely to switch its membership into opposing camps. and to throw its full strength toward the promotion of objects concerning which the body can act as a unit.

It appears that he was fearful that political motives would be the actuating principles of that body's deliberations. It is felt at this juncture and of that body that too deep a concern is manifest in the preservation and enlarging the civil, political and social liberties of the race by all the people to permit the betrayal of the trust imposed in it for political considerations that do not bring relief to the masses.

It is right here that possibly Mr. Cheatham's advice, perhaps, smacks of interested motives, politically considered. It may be an unjust imputation, but it will be hard to convince the most casual observer that the wiles of the politician is not apparent in the above quoted passage.

Again he says to the effect that "Mr. McKinley has done better for the Negroes than any single one of his predecessors." It is believed the assertion may pass without debate as to its numerical phase, nor is it understood that the question is at issue; at least it is not of paramount interest with such questions as the qualifications for voters, civil rights, particularly notable in the separate car system, lynching and other evils that the country tolerate.

But as this patronage bestowed, which is so studiously paraded, there has been a system which says none too much for that system. It cannot be denied that it has been carried out with the intent of invading the "enemies' country." The South, voiceless as to an electoral college but omnipotent in fashioning candidates has reaped a full hand of favors while the North stands impatient helpless. To say that this method does not contribute to factional supremacy would be erroneous, but it is not poetical justice, which justice seems an irridescent dream. But even that was no part of the convention's duty to correct as it is understood. The rights and privileges of the masses is what the council stands for, if it stands for any thing.

The studied silence on part of the South as it concerns the recent outrages, which for some unknown reasons seem to be increasing is embarassing to Mr. Cheatham. He feels that this silence of which the Negroes complain is but a part of some splendid plan that is soon to be presented, which promises relief. It is to be hoped that this silence is properly interpreted for it is apparent to Mr. Cheatham, apparent to all that the Negroes are very much chagrined at its continuance.

This sphinx like silence is exasperating to the masses. What it all portends is yet a question. It may be that the sentiment of the country is unprepared for an address in behalf of the Negroes, or is it as the Recorder says a waiting policy? He says:

I have no idea what the President has in mind as a solution of this important and complex problem. Even if he had the power under the law, and a plan by which the matter could be settled beyond all question, would it be wise to make an explicit statement at this time that might perhaps defeat the end he may have in view?

Continuing, he says:

We should not appear unreasonable, for it is well known that some of the ablest constitutional lawyers among us admit that the President's power is limited from a constitutional standpoint.

So after all there may be nothing in the wind except the same old cry of state sovereignty and Federal rights. It does appear that the Supreme Court might easily settle the question and forever put it at rest. It should not be allowed to become chronic in order that it may serve as a scape-goat for relieving parties of their sworn obligations.

As to Mr. Cheatham's views in general touching upon the irregularities of some portions of the country he stands with the masses of his countrymen when he says:

"It must endeavor to stir the race pride to the end that Negro capitalists will invest their money in live business enterprise, and thus open up avenues of employment for the armies of young graduates being turned out of our schools and colleges year by year."

He strikes a chord that is in strict harmony with the thinkers of the day. It is the one question that is bound to come uppermost in this country. It is no part of the decreet of the age that the colored youths shall enter the walks of life in common with the youths of the land. Yearly the question grows as the schools and colleges turn out their masses of cultivated youths. Who is caring for them? Who will care for them?

This neglect in a decade will amount to a crime. It will establish barriers that proscribe a caste class. The slums, highways and by-ways of immorality will be infested with the best of the land. The inglorious work is now on. It is so apparent that the hand of philanthropy is as often witheld as the hand of envy and jealousy. If the Negroes are to be saved they must save themselves.

It is useless to parade the advantages of one section of this country over the other when it comes to the welfare of the Negroes. Whats gained in some localites in some directions is lost in other directions. Larger civil rights is followed by lack of opportunity for the masses to exist. It shows that the progress must be uniform and not in accord with the stilted notions of any man. It may be set down that at this period, that, that place which offers superior advantages to the race in every direction will be a mecca towards which the race will always be bent. Where is it?

The colored members of what is known as the R. & H. D. Plant System, of Waycross, Ga., will hold their third annual meeting Sept. 3. The meeting will be held in the interest of perfecting and facilitating the commissary department. Floyd Snelson is president, and Henry Thomas secretary.

It is very strange that Gen. Bates who negotiated the treaty for the island of Sulu did not insist that slavery was cut out. There are those who think he did a fine thing; but time will tell, and not very much time at that.

RACE TROUBLES IN COLORADO.

Manitou, Col., is in the throes of a racial difficulty that promises to engender much bad feeling. It appears that a Southerner—a Texan and his wife were stopping at the Barker House of that place. The headwaiter of the hotel who is a colored man, on the day of the trouble, Aug. 12, was preparing to open the dining-room, but delayed the opening for a few moments to get in a better state of readiness. Mrs. McKenzie the wife of the gentleman in question presented herself for entrance but was courteously asked to wait a few minutes. After the few moments were up he stepped aside and the guests entered. Mrs. McKenzie felt insulted. She informed her husband who came later. After the meal he asked the headwaiter to step to the door. He did so. He asked an explanation. It was given. He demanded that the headwaiter apologize to Mrs. McKenzie. This he refused to do; stating that he was responsible for the appearance of the dining-room and that he was simply obeying orders. Mr. McKenzie seized a heavy cane from the hat-rack and struck twice at the head of the headwaiter, striking him the second time on the shoulder, breaking the cane into pieces. The headwaiter grappled with him and during the commotion the guests and waiters ran out; some taking sides. When the affray was over Mr. McKenzie, the white man was in a sinking condition, dying thirty minutes afterwards.

It is not positively known who dealt Mr. McKenzie his death blow; but one of the waiters has been arrested. Excitement ran high and the talk of lynching was heard on all sides.

Governor Hogg of Texas, who was also at the hotel has been retained to prosecute the Negro It is said that Hogg has already said, had the affair happened in Texas a trial would be quite unnecessary.

The Texans have raised a purse of $15,000 to see that the waiter's neck is broken. They have sent a delegation up to see the work well done. The colored people have shown a commendable spirit for their activity; they have raised a purse of $200 and retained the best lawyer they could procure.

The struggle promises to be a very interesting one. It is fair to assume that the facts here given are trustworthy and reliable. At the most, the end, if justice comes, can only be manslaughter, even in event the crime is fixed.

But from the uncertainty as to who delivered the blow, and if this is a fair country, where the spirit of the law, says, that ninty-nine guilty ones should go scat free rather than a single innocent one should suffer unjustly, it would be in consonance with that spirit to carry out its behests in this case if they can not absolutely, unmistakeably fix the crime.

Mr. McKenzie's own action should be some weight even worth Southerner's consideration.

The case is an ideal one since the Southern notions of justice and the Northerns have clashed. Mr. Hogg speaks correctly when he intimates that had the same occurred a few degrees south, there would be no need for trial.

It is to be hoped that Colorado will see that this Negro gets justice and that the sentiment that "he killed a white man" does not obtain. Color does not change the quality of crime. What is due a white man in the same condition is due a black man, no more—no less.

The recent developments at Darien, Ga., threatens to be but the beginning of a series of racial difficulties that promises to end—well, where?

It will be scarcely necessary to rehearse the very ugly stories as to the Delegals, the armed troops, armed Negroes, and the armed white citizens. It is the philosophy of the struggle that is at once engaging. Why this haste in arming? Why this mobilization? Why this flight to the swamps? Who is responsible for it all?

There can be but one answer. It is the growth of the lynching phase of judicial life in America that sets in motion this long train of circumstances.

If the Negroes are to understand that a rope and a convenient tree stares them perpetually in the face; it is quite natural that swamps and armed protection are suggested.

It remains now to be seen what Georgia justice means outside the influence of mob laws. Let white men who make the laws obey the laws and not try to live a law unto themselves; then swamps will be depopulated and there will be no need for arsenalized citizens.

"'Old Glory' will float over slavery in her new posession of Sulu. It was a part of the agreement of our sovereignty of the island that slavery should stand. The republican administration places the flag over slavery and who would pull it down? Right or wrong the American flag must float where it is placed, no matter by whom."

The above is from the Daily Constitution-Democrat, a democratic sheet of Keokuk, Iowa. It is a splendid bit of irony in as much as it appears that events have so far fashioned themselves that the Democratic party is now protesting against slavery in our acquirements. The island Sulu is the accession that has been received with so much ado. The little nondescript virtually dictated its own terms and slavery was retained and this great christian America actually consented to rule over it under the conditions. But slaves may purchase their freedom—Great God! What's the matter with this country. Such a compact should be repudiated instanter. Greater America indeed–a greater curse must follow such innovations.

It is very evident from general observation and opinions generally that if the Negroes are to be saved they must save themselves The young, new, reckless indifferent Negro must be saved in spite of himself. He does not know what he is doing, nor does he care, but he is to be the future parent and God help the prospect.

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Governor Hogg desires it known that if the Manitou, Col., killing had occurred in Texas there would be no need for a trial. But suppose it had occured in Georgia?

Hon. H. P. Cheatham has done his part at least. If the Council of Afro-Americans fails to heed, he can say his garments are clean.

We are now becoming protectorate over lands with harems, mohammedan and slaves.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

At Lake Mohonk, N. Y.,—Raises for Tuskegee Institute the Largest Collection Ever Taken at That Place.

Editor The Freeman:—"At a meeting of the guests of Lake Mohonk Hotel, N. Y., Aug. 21, at which Prof. Booker T. Washington spoke, a collection of $1750 was raised for the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute. This is by far the largest collection ever taken at Lake Mohonk for any institution.

The meeting was a most enthusiastic one. The Rev. Dr. Cuyler, of Brooklyn, introduced Prof. Washington in the following words:

During the last twenty-years we have listened in this room to many of the leaders of thought and action in our land. We have heard here Dr. Philip Schaff, the eminent theologian; Ex-Senator Geo. F. Edmunds, who is one of our greatest intellectual forces; General Armstrong, the noble pioneer in the advancement of the Negro; Ex-Senator Dawes, the champion of the Indians Rights; and lately we heard Edward Everett Hale, plead here earnestly for International Peace, but no message they brought is of more vital impor tance than the one you are about to receive. You will now listen to the voice of eight millions of our fellow countrymen. They are mostly poor dumb, speechless and hungry with wants, and they speak to you to-night from the eloquent lips of Booker T. Washington.

God raised him up to be their leader and their spokesman, He endowed and equipped my dear friend and brother Washington with peculiar gifts for his great work. Especially he gave him what he gave to Abraham Lin coln in such large measure, and that is an immense, practical common sense.

In no way does my friend show his sense more than in letting partisan politics entirely alone. His one aim is to make the Negro respected by making him industrious, honest and God-fearing, and a self-respecting, self-supporting citizen."

Mr. Washington was most warmly received and the impression he produced, can in some degree be measured by the substantial way in which his less than two hundred hearers responded.

ROBERT W. TAYLOR.

News Items.

Henderson, Ky., Special

Dr. S. A. O'Neal of Louisville, was in the city last week circulating among his many friends. Miss Fannie L. Eastin is visiting friends in Evansville. Miss Bessye Slaughter has returned from St. Louis. Little Miss Julia Alves has returned from a visit to friends in Evansville. E. H. Browne spent Sunday in Louisville with Mr and Mrs. Jeff. D. Browne. Miss Julia Baldwin spent Sunday in the Sebree city. Miss Nellye Mae Browne has returned from a pleasant visit to friends in Chicago. Mrs. Corinna Jordan died Aug. 19, after a lingering illness. C. H. Brooks is visiting friends in Chicago. Miss Amelia Gilchrist is indisposed. A moon light picnic was given Aug. 26, at the residence of Mr. and Ers. Alves on Gabe street. Invitations were received in the city last week for the marriage of Miss Josie Johnson to William H, Wilhite at Birmingham, Ala., Miss Johnson at one time visited Henderson, and was quite popular during her stay here.

Tuskegee Institute Notes.

Tuskegee, Ala, Special.

The new teachers for next year are men and women of the highest attainment and proficiency. They come from the University of Chicago, the Connecticut State Normal School, Pratt Institute, Central Michigan State Normal, Mrs. Rivers' School of Cooking and the New York Teachers College. The 19th annual session of this school will begin Tuesday Sept. 12, 1899. More than 1000 have been admitted already. Arrangements have been made to accommodate at least 1,500. Plans are being now perfected to begin the erection of a new barn. It will probably be the largest in the state.

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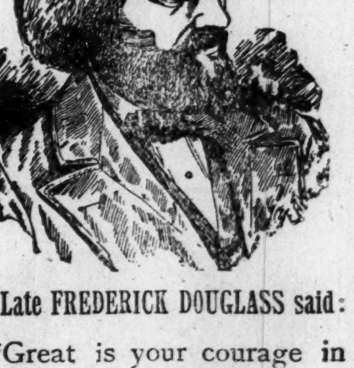

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ROUTE:

OLIVER SCOTT'S REFINED NEGRO MINSTRELS—Wausau, Wis., Sept. 3; Antigo, 4; Rhinelanda, 5; Ironwood, Mich., 6; Ashland, Wis., 7; West Superior, Wis., 8; Duluth, Minn., 9.

RUSCO & HOLLAND'S BIG MINSTREL FESTIVAL—Huntsville, Ala., Sept. 2; Memphis, Tenn., 4-6; Jackson, 7; Paducah, Ky., 8; Murphysboro, Ill., 9.

Hello, Flo. Regards to Vi.—Fred.

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Geo. Swan, sends regards to Robt. Leach and Simmons.

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Chas. Hughes, the lyric tenor is featuring the popular ballad "Some Mother's Son."

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Jim White writes: "While in Chicago John Eason went to Sea Lyon and Healy."

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Ed. L. Anderson and Eli R. Rice singing and dancing comedians have joined hands.

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Tutt & Tutt were the biggest hit on the bill at the Hopkins Theatre, Chicago, week of Aug. 13.

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Harry and Nellie Eaton are with Mahara's Mammoth Minstrels No. 2. Mr. Eaton is stage director.

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Kenrick Dodge joined the Oliver Scott Minstrel Carnival at Waukegan, Ill., to play flute and piccolo.

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Wm. Buckner sends regards to James White, C. F. Overton, Frankie Hayden, Geo. Chanler and all friends.

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Major Benj. F. Payne left St. Louis on the 19th ult., to join Melroy—Chandler Minstrels, at Hot Springs, Ark.

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Mrs. Gus Collins, formerly of Stetson's Uncle Tom's Cabin Company has joined Gorman's Alabama Troubadours.

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J. A. Watts, tenor, is singing with great success the pathetic ballad, "Tonight his Face is Missing in the Old Home."

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The only Negro doing the Irish Cop successfully is Harry Hart, the clever comedian with Oliver Scott's Minstrel Carnival.

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Mrs. Henrietta Cooke will attend the New England Conservatory of Music, at Boston, Mass., this winter taking a full course in voice cultivation.

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L. H. Washington, tenor soloist and trap drummer, has signed for the season with the Canadian Jubilee Singers. He sends regards to P. G. Lowery.

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Harry Waters, (Rastus) sends regards to all Buffaloes and friends. Mr. Waters is still making a big hit with Oliver Scott's Ministrel Carnival, this season.

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Little Rosie Johnson is making a hit nightly singing "Hello My Baby," also by her difficult banjo manipulations, with Gorman's Alabama Troubadours.

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W. A. Jones, late of the Georgia Minstrel has returned to his home at Toledo, O., owing to sickness. He sends regards to the B. O. of C. P., band of Indianapolis.

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Notes from The Alabama Blossom Quartette. "We opened Aug. 20, at C. H. Colson's Edgemont Park, which is the most delightful park near St. Louis. The seating capacity is 3000 which we did not fail to fill. The quartette is in excellent shape and during the work that pleases the large audiences. Walter, Webb, baritone, is making the hit of his life singing "The Oriental Coon," while Burrel Armstead is doing the same "She Was Happy Till She Met You." Billy Allen and Buckner pushes the button and keeps the bell a ringing. We are booked up to Sept. 23.

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Simpson and Pittman, masters of music, who scored such a hit at the Chicago Opera House are one of the many features of the Georgias. Regards to you all, boys there is room for us all.

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Master Willie Shields, the baton artist of the "Georgias" is nightly winning rounds of applause for his dexterious handling of the staff. He wishes to be remembered to his many friends.

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Dennis Rice formely of Richard & Pringle's famous Georgia's has organized a female orchestra; and will go on the road soon. He sends regards to friends in and out of the profession.

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The Rag-time Troubadours—Messrs. Martinett, Roddy, Wallace, Scales and Jenkins now touring Great Britian send regards to H. Royston, John Singleton, W. C. Hayden, W. A. Dixon and Elmore Dodd.

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W. M. Hallback will soon publish his latest success, "Mamma Make 'Cindy 'Have Herself," and also the red hot coon song, "Dar's a Hot Time a Coming for Dat Coon," by himself and D. I. Thomas.

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S. L. Marsh and J. R. White have joined hands and will take out Marsh & White's Minstrel Concert and Cake Walk Co., opening their season at the Minnesota State fair Sept. 4-9; with Mankato, Sept. 11-14 to follow.

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D. Ireland Thomas, one of the few colored jew impersonators is having great success with his new up to date jew monologue and musical conversation. He is one of the features with the Melroy-Chandler Minstrels.

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James White, the clever vocal comedian, with Oliver Scott's Big Minstrel Carnival this season is making the hit of his life. Mr. White is featuring 'I'd Leave My Happy Home For You," and "I've Just Received a Telegram From Baby" which are going big. He sends regards to all Buffalo friends.

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John R. Eason, the accomplished musician with Prof. R. N. Thompson's superb band, this season with Oliver Scott's Big Minstrel Carnival, has written a new rag-time march and dedicated it to the Parker Lodge, No. 5. B. O. of C. P., st. Louis, Mo. It is named the "March of the Buffaloes." Mr. Eason sends regards to Chas. E. Elis, John H. Clark and Buffaloes.

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The Famous Alabama Quartette, a feature of the "Georgias" are, to use a slang phrase, cleaning up. While on the coast this season they will endeavor to secure suitable material for their original afterpiece entitled, "The Musical Cotton Farm." The personal of the quartette is, Chas. Hughes, leader Wm. Langford, tenor; W. T. Overby, baritone and Oscar Cameron, bass.

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Clarksville, Tenn., Show News:—"Owing to the fact of slow meetings and other causes it has brought discouragement upon John R. Rogers as manager of the Sunburnt Swells. The Company will soon re-organize under a new manager. The Elton Band made a fine showing here against their rivals the Clarksville Brass Band Aug. 8. Julian Ratcliff is getting up a new brass band here to take the place of the original band during their absence.

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Messrs. Cooke, Vaughan, and Turner, of Gorman's Alabama Troubadours have joined hands, and are producing an original act entittled "Fun in the Professors Room" which is said to have caught on in great shape down East. Mr. Vaughan is musical director with the company and is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music. Mr. Turner is stage director, while everybody knows Will Cooke, commonly called "Bud" around his home at Indianapolis. 'Tis said that "Bud" is continually talking of Indianapolis and The Freeman even sometimes in his sleep.

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Notes from Mahara's Mammoth Minstrels No.2–We opened the season at Valparaiso, Ind., on the 26th ult., after only three days rehearsal, as our stage manager Harry Eaton is well equiped in every respect in putting a show together on a short notice, when he has the right people. We are under the management of Messrs. Collinge & Phillips. We have a handsome train of cars with all conveniences. We have two bands; the managers having secured the famous Mexican Band that never fails to please the people, our colored band is warm also. We are booked through the East, including all the New England States. Roster: Collinge & Phillips, managers; Harry Eaton, stage director; John Miller, assistant. Principal comedians: Tom White, Will Rolland, Harry Eaton and Richard H. Barnett. Vocalists: Fred B. French, Frank Allen and John Miller. The Eatons—Harry and Nellie—are doing some good work in the olio. White and Barnett are a clever song-and-dance team. Billy Williams, jr., frog equilibrist and droll comedian joined the show 28th ult., at South Bend, Ind.

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The Golden Gate Quartette of Grant and Flynn's Afro-American Comedy Company gave the members of the company a yachting party and luncheon up the beautiful Merrimack near Lawrence Mass., on Friday, Aug. 11. Among those in the party were Madam Mamie Flower, Mrs. Helen Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Coats, Mr. and Mrs. Al. Saunders, Mr. and Mrs. Winfred, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Frank Sutton and Mr. Lee Robert Carroll of New York and Baltimore, who was a guest of Madam Flowers. On their return to Glen Forest they dined at The Casino.

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Notes from the Big Minstrel Festival:—We have just left Cincinnati, where we opened the season at Heucks Theatre playing to the capacity of the house at each performance during the week. A grand reception was tendered the entire company by Mr. Fred Paterson in honor of the B. O. C. P. Messrs. McCarver Reed and McCarver were presented with a swell floral wreath. John Rucker also received a large boquet of flowers which was presented him by the Zip Club of Cincinnati. C. P. Jones who has been indisposed for quite a while is feeling much better at this writing. Mr. Harry Fiddler seems to make a great impression on his audiences. He continues to leave them roaring nightly,

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Notes from Melroy and Chandler Minstrels:—We opened our weeks engagement at Hot Springs, on Monday 21 at Whittington Park. Every available seat was taken and standing room was at a premium. Juding from the hearty applause we pleased our people as usual. W. M. Hallback is still getting the people with his latest composition, "Mamma Make 'Cindy 'Have Herself. Our first part and finale were put on by Mr. Hallback and it goes immensely. "Sonny" Hoskins, still continues to get there. Thomas, the funny jew impersonator is still hitting 'em hard with his funny sayings and musical conversation. The Alexanders and the Marshalls always come in for their share of applause. Pickett as old Uncle Peter always creates amusement. Hallback and Thomas send regards to friends.

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Notes from Richards and Pringles Georgia Minstrels:—The Famous Georgias have again demonstrated the past week their abilty to fill a house and please the masses after they had paid the price of admission. The S. R. O. sign was out on several occasions during the past week but at that we did not have to drive them away with clubs. Thos. Culligan our genial manager is well pleased with the success of the above named company so far. We have been offered several return dates, but the Company is booked solid to the coast and of course we had to refuse all offers of return engagements. We receive the old reliable Freeman every week and it is a stand of between it and the Clipper with the Freeman a shade the best of it. Our grand street parade which takes place at 2.30 daily never fails to draw thousands upon the street to witness it and invariably you hear the remark, 'Why its just like the lithograph,' Everybody is well with the show and the boys all send regards to the members of the No. 1 Festival. We know you will hold up your "end" and we shall endeavor to hold up ours. The old reliable "Georgias" James Crosby is making quite a big hit in his new monologue and eccentric turn and as a singer of coon songs, he stands without an equal. He sends regards to all friends. Walter Mitchel, sends regards to W. O. Terry, P. G. Lowery and all friends with the Big Minstrel Festival."

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Notes from Oliver Scott's Big Minstrel Carnival—"We have just finished our second week on the road and have played to packed houses. Everywhere the S. R. O. sign is common with us. The show is a winner in every respect. Clarence Powell's mouth is a powerful laugh producer. He never fails to make them howl. He sends regards to all members of Gorman's Alabama Troubadours, also to Craig, Brown, McCarver, Reed and McCarver and all friends. Arthur Maxwell is making quite a hit (in the dressing room) singing: "Baby Let Me Bring My Clothes Back Home." Kenrick Dodge joined us at Waukegan. Prof. Wm. E. Dorsey gains the attention of the press in every town. He sends regards to Jim Randolph and Sanders of Allen's Minstrels. Our young slackwire artist and juggler—Master Harry Creighton, has only been in the business ten months, and has the distinction of being the youngest performer in his line. He will have a new act next season. John Eason has organized a syndicate known as the "Big Six," the members are John Jackson, John Eason, Jim Hall Robt. N. Thompson, Wm. E. Dorsey and Chas. R. Parker. Robt. N. Thompson sends regards to Fire-bug Joe Ricks, Marsh Craig, and Dr. Lighthall and says his band is a winner this season. We have six cornets, two clarionets, one piccolo, four trombones and two saxophones. Chas. R. Parker sends regards to John H. Clark, Henry Bridgewater, Wm. Curtis, Chas. A. Scott, Sylvester Chouvan, W. D. Flowers and all Buffaloes. Bob Pannell sends regards to Dick Thomas and friends with the Georgias."

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Notes from Gorman's Alabama Trobadours:—Messrs. Cook, Vaughan and Turner have joined hands. The Lynnier Quartette which the manager engaged from Norfolk Va., at an enormous expense are meeting with great success. They are singers of merit and are deserving of all the praise that is bestowed upon them. It is composed as follows: Nelson Browne, 1st tenor; Elias Perkins, 2d tenor; Sam'l Kealing, 1st bass; Geo. Lynnier. 2d bass. T. Spencer Finley, commonly called "Mike" keeps the audience in an uproar during his fifteen minutes upon the stage. We arrived at Newport. R. I., with its gaiety and splendor, and everybody was wild to see the Alabama Troubadours. We met with a grand ovation upon our apearance before the footlights, the white four-hundred turned out in force. The opening tested the capacity of the Casino and every man, woman and child went away perfectly satisfied. Mrs. Gus Collins has become a member of the Ladies Quartette, which is as follows: Miss Hattie May, soprano; Mrs. Gus Collins, tenor; Miss Helen King, alto; and Mrs. Louise Turner, contralto. They are a decided hit everywhere, and we all join in wishing them success. Chas. Sport, a graduate from the New England Conservatory of Music, is also with us as leading tenor Dupree, our buck and wing dancer, says that he will try conclusions with any and all buck and wing dancers. Our basso profundo, Jas. P. Reed is thinking seriously of spending the coming summer season at Indianapolis. Master Phil White, our boy prodigy is all a person could wish for as a monologist, he is about the size of Bobby Ralston. While in Newport we stopped at the home of the nephew of the well-known DeWolfe Sisters,—Mr. Harry Braithwaits, who is a gentleman in every respect. Mr. Braithwaits is a graduate of the Roger Williams University, this year he will attend Yale. Regards to Clarence Powell."

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OUR LONDON LETTER.

London, Eng., August 13.—"The Old Plantation Trio—Harry Martinett, Ed Roddy and Ed Wallace, are here well and doing well. They found quite a number of American boys here, all are working and doing well. The Plantation Trio are being booked by the best agents of London over the continent. Time is being rapidly filled. They expect to be on this side until after the Paris Exposition. Negotiations are now pending for an engagement of six months in Melbourne, Australia, thence to Paris on their way back to the States. Their aggregation now consists of five people, the above named trio, W. W. Scales and Tom Jenkins which completes the quintette. They are playing this country under the name of 'The Rag-time Troubadours." The Kentucky Quintette, Mobile Comedy Quintette, Olympia Quintette, Bessie Lee, Eph Thompson, the elephant trainer, and the 'Harlem Coffee Cooler' Frank Craig and his company of five people are all here doing fine. The Plantation Trio dined recently with Mr. Craig, who by the way is the champion middle-weight of Great Britian, and spent a pleasant evening. The American Troubadours four in number, have just returned to London from the continent. All the boys seem to like this side of th water and not many speaks of returning. 'Jig-wauks' are scarce, but 'O-fays' are plentiful."

HARRY MARTINETT.

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OUR AUSTRALIAN LETTER.

Notes of McAdoo's Minstrels:—"Goulburn Australia; Dear Sir, since my last letter to you, many little incidents have taken place and the one our American friends are interested in is the arrival of Mr. Curtis and his company. At this writing Curtis' Company is in Sydney and doing a fair business. while we closed in Sidney on Wednesday, July 12, and are now touring the colonies and this week will land us in Victoria Colony and on August 5 we will be in Melbourne, and as I told you we are now in a theatrical fight. It remains to be seen which one will win, but as we were here first and Mr. McAdoo's reputation is so good it looks like a 100 to 1 in our favor. So far we have shut them out of this section and perhaps they will claim they run us out of Sydney and we will give them the benefit of the doubt, as we are getting the money and that is what we came here for. We are all in good spirits and good health and no one wishes to be home as yet. This is a most beautiful country with the most amiable people I ever met. The performers of Sydney raised a subscription for poor Hosey Easton, to erect a monument over his grave and as poor Sadie McDonald and Wm. Johnson are buried in the same cemetey with quite a monument, poor Hosey will be remembered. Prof. Smith wishes to state that the exception that Mr. Harry Prampin took to the conservatory of music being closed was not directed to him at all because no one ever accused him of being a director or musician. His remarks were directed to his (Smith's) scholars whom he taught and expected to accompany him to this country and who after promising disappointed him at the last moment and his best wishes for Mr. Prampin are that he has the pass word to the academy so be careful boys. We get the Freeman every two weeks and a more welcome paper never was more in demand. The Prof. wears the same size hat 7½ with kindest regards to all B. O. C. P. and friends both in and out of the profession, especially Archie Greathouse, Lloyd Cooper, Jessie Ringgold, my favorite Toledo Lodge also St Louis and Geo. Gaston. Respectfully yours,

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4th.—Another reason for the slow growth of our local work is jealousy among the leaders. What our enemies fail to do by inciting the masses to distrust us is accomplished by strife and dissention caused by jealousy among ourselves. Nearly all desire to be the chief leaders and if they are not allowed to lead they go in to destroy.

These difficulties, formidable as they are, will disappear as we develop man-manhood, intelligence and wealth. We must give the schoolroom, pulpit, press and various forms of industry further time. They are powerful levers in the uplift of any people.

Our organization has been strengthened since our last meeting by the formation of the following bureaus; Legislative, Literary and Emigration with Messrs. Daniel Murray, P. B. S. Pinchbace and Robert Pelham as directors. Two of these departments, the Legislative and Literary, have done splendid work as you will note when their reports are made. As yet I have not received the report of the Emigration bureau, of which Mr. Pellham is direcor; but knowing his interest in the work I am sure it will be satisfactory. Mr. Murray who is director of the Legislative Bureau, requests that the bills that have been prepared by his department to be presented to Congress, be endorsed by the National Council.

Number one, is a petition to Congress to authorize the President to appoint a Freedman's Inquiry commission. No. 2 is a petition to Congress for the suppression of mob violence. No. 3 is a bill asking for an appropriation of thirteen million dollars out of a certain fund mentioned in the bill to establish and maintain agricultural, reform, technical and kindergarten schools in twelve states of the South and the District of Columbia for Negro youths. I reccommend the approval of the bills.

I also recommend the formation of three more Bureaus, namely; Educational, Business and ecclesiastical.

THE WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED.

The goal to be reached is all that is guaranteed to Americn citizens by the Constitution and Declaration of Independence, life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; the recognition in all parts of this broad land of the citizenship of the Negro; the removal of the barriers erected by prejudice to hinder Afro-Americans for attaining their highest development. In a word, we desire the opportunity to struggle unfettered for the things which some of the white people of this country think are unattainable" by Negroes, but which they are careful to keep out of their reach.

THE AGENCIES TO BE USED.

1st.—Education. Notwithstanding the ascertion of our enemies that education unfits Negroes for work we must continue to impress upon our people the necessity of educating their children. Education is still one of our greatest needs. No people can have too much enlightenment. Intelligence has made the discoveries, built the cities, founded the governments, coined the money, laid the cables, built the railroads and lighted the world with electricity and given us ten thousand useful inventions. It is the main lever in the uplift of nations. It was intelligence that made Greece and Rome of the past so famous in history, and it is the force that is enabling the Anglo-Saxon of to-day to make such headway along all lines,—and this must be the first round in our ladder.

2nd:—Character. We are aware that we have a criminal class among us, and we would be different from any other people in this world if we did not have such a class' It is augmented in many ways: First, by race prejudice. Because of race prejudice, Afro-Americans are arrested and convicted for the most trivial misdemeanors. In some parts of our land, charges are trumped up against Negroes and convictions secured in order to secure convict labor. In many instances the innocent are found guilty because they are too poor to secure council to defend themselves.

Next to our color our poverty is our worst enemy. The time has come when we should put forth greater efforts than heretofore to reform our criminal class, and as far as possible prevent the coming generation from becoming criminals. This can be done by diligent home training, more moral instruction in the public schools, the establishment of kindergarten, industrial and reform schools and religious societies for young people.

The leaders of the colored race are accused by the press of the South of being indifferent to the improvement of the morals of their people; this accusation is made in face of the fact that our churches schools and newspapers are ever urging the Negroes to live moral lives—to be sober, honest and industrious. We are against crime of all kinds. We abhor with all our being the heinous crime of rape. The rapist should die, but by the law.

Again colored ministers, school teachers, editors and other leaders are accused of complicity in the crimes of our criminal class because they will not turn informers and display great interest in the arrest and conviction of accused members of their race. A little consideration of the facts in the case will convince any fairminded person that this accusation is made to shield white lynchers. so far as the affairs of the colored people are concerned the best informers that the white people of the South have are the servile Negroes of ante-bellum days, and even some born since the Emancipation are adepts at this nefarious business. That class will tell all they know of the whereabouts of suspected Negroes, and in some instances what they do not know to the detriment of law abiding citizens. The colored informers give the white people all the assistance they need.

Whenever the authorities of the Southern states wherein rape or other heinous crimes are said to have been committed by Negroes, can and will assure the leaders that Afro-Americans who are accused will be given a fair trial, they can count on the leaders of the colored race to assist them in the apprehension and conviction of Negro criminals.

No self-respecting Negro will turn over to an angry mob a man of his race to be mutilated and burned. We ask for a fair trial by a competent and legally constituted tribunal. We must not allow ridicule and criticism, no matter how severe, to coerce us into doing what we know to be wrong in order to please our enemies and to aid in covering up the dastardly crimes of malicious white men. Negro leaders will aid in the apprehension of Negro criminals when assured they will be given a fair trial, and not until then.

We are not altogether responsible for the immoralities with which we are charged. It was the master who ruthlessly entered the cabin and forced the wife to disregard her marriage vow. He was the first to seperate husband, wife and children. He prostituted mother, wife and sister. He first tainted our blood and now he holds us wholly responsible for our immoralities. Shame!

The majority of the white people of the South have done very little to improve our moral condition since our emancipation; they who owe us most have done least for us socially and morally. They have educated and consecrated some of their brightest boys and girls for missionary work in foreign fields while the black heatherns at their doors have been shunned, maltreated and burned at the stake. Their fear of social contact has prevented them from teaching in our public schools and Sunday-schools, or allowing Negroes to be taught in their. They have ostracised, assaulted and at times driven away the good white people of the North who have been willing to come among us and aid in the work of our moral uplift. They have wiped their hands of our intellectual and moral improvement so far as personal contact is concerned. Most of the white people of the South only admire a Negro when he is in the capacity of a servant. There is a class of them who care nothing about his intellectual and moral development. I have known instances where Negroes were furnished with bad whiskey to prepare them to act the fool for the amusement of white spectators. This is the class of whites who are the loudest in their criticism of our immorality. Let us be up and work with all our might to correct these evils.

We need the help of the good white people everywhere in the work of our moral advancement. We sound the Macedonian cry to our white friends of the South who have given so much money for our intellectual development to "Come over in Macedonia and help us"—help us by the establishment of state reform schools, orphanages, hospitals and industrials schools; help us by giving your sons and daughters to instruct us; help us with your genuine encouragement and sympathy. Again we call: "Come over and help us!" We thank one and all for what aid they have given us and earnestly solicit their continued help.

BUSINESS.

In order to reach the goal we must climb the same ladder used by the white man to reach his present position of power and influence. We must enter every avenue of business from the skilled boot black, laundryman and farmer to the large mancfacturer and banker. Our great need today is business men. We must not be ashamed to begin on a small scale; that is the way to develop business capacity. As a rule our wages are so meagre that we cannot save sufficient money to embark in large financial enterprises, therefore we will have to do like the white man,—combine our capital, organize more co-operative enterprises,—indeed enter into all kinds of honest alliances in order to make money. We must have money. Our course to safety, influence and power is by way of the farm, factory and business enterprises of our own.

Men of my race arise and enter every avenue opened to you.

PESSIMISM.

We haven't any time to waste in drawing gloomy pictures of the futre; no time to frit away lamenting over what we can never be. As brave men we must enter the arena of life and contend with men of every hue for a living. We must make the most of our opportunities and under God do all in our power to open doors which are now closed against us. Let us turn a deaf ear to criticism, ridicule and slander, and push forward to the goal. Our motto in the future must be, less boasting and more solid work.

The members of our race who have become discouraged because the white man owns nearly all the land, lives in the finest dwellings, operates the railways, steamboates and manufactories, runs the Government and nearly everything else, should remember that the white man has three thousand years of opportunity on his side while the Negro has less than fifty on his.

The Anglo-Saxons have extracted all that is beneficial, noble, grand and good out of the civilizations of Babylon, Greece, Rome, and later European civilization. Our leaders in their moments of despair must remember this. Also put over against the three thousand years of opportunity of the white man, fifty years of fettered opportunity of the American Negro. If they will do this they will see much to hope for and feel less inclined to repine.

AGITATION.

To education, character, industry and wealth we must add agitation. To remain silent while all kinds of discriminatory laws are being enacted to humiliate us and fiendish outrages are being perpetrated upon us, would be to show ourselves cowards and serviles of the meanest type, unworthy of the name of freemen.

Let us unite our means and test the constitutionality of discriminatory laws, and when our officials by acts or silence strive to injure the race, we should resent it at the ballot box. Suppose when we spend our money in testing discriminatory laws we fail to get a decision in our favor, and suppose the man we strive to defeat is elected, will our efforts be fruitless? Not a bit of it. Such efforts will develop our self respect and we shall gain the respect of all fair-minded people. This will more than compensate us for our financial losses. There is nothing for us to do but struggle for our rights.

EXPANSION.

If to be an expansionist is a desire to see one's country enlarged by the acquisition of additional territory, a larger field for commerce, opportunities to give a higher civilization to semi-civilized peoples and to add prestige to the Nation, then I am an expansionist. But while I believe in expansion, I do not think that America is prepared to carry on the work of expansion at this time, especially if it be among the dark races of the earth. The white man of America is impregnated with colorphobia; he has been taught for centuries that the black man, no matter where he dwells, has no rights which the white man is bound to respect; hence he is not prepared to grant to dark skinned peoples the most favorable opportunities for development. No matter how intelligent or cultured a man may be, if his skin is dark that is a sufficient reason at any time why his rights should be ignored.

Had the Filipinos been white and fought as bravely as they have, the war would have been ended and their independence granted long ago.

To subjugate and govern a people without their consent is contrary to the Declaration of Independence of the United States.

For these reasons and many others which I have not time to enumerate, is it strange that Afro-Americans are not enthused over the President's Phillipine policy? Indeed we are against it especially the methods used to advance it.

I am aware that President McKinley cannot stop lynching by anything he can personally do, but as "Bruce Grit' has said, a few brave words earnestly spoken against outrages by the President when they occurred in the fall would have helped our case immensly.

Again, the paltry dollars paid to a few Afro-American office-holders as beneficial as they are to the occupants and the whole race can never compensate the the colored people for the great wrong the race has suffered by the long silence of the President on the subject of mob violence.

To President McKinley we now appeal to use his influence by word and deed to secure to all American citizens, in all parts of the country, a fair and impartial trial by jury, and to grant to Afro-American soldiers promotion to commissioned officers in the regular army who have won consideration by their fitness and valor.

To the Congress of the United States we appeal to enact such laws, and give the President the power to enforce them as will insure protection of life and liberty to all citizens of America, regard less of color.

To the Governors and other State officials we appeal to give law abiding and intelligent Afro-Americans a place in the National Guard.

To the authorities of the South we especially appeal to repeal all discriminatory laws enacted to humiliate and discourage Negroes, to give the Negro a fair chance at the ballot box and a fair trial by jury.

To white trades unions of America we appeal not to refuse any worthy applicant on account of his color, but rather make character and intelligence the pass to your shrines.

To Anglo-Saxons througout the Nation we appeal to liberate themselves from color prejudice and give the Negro an equal chance in the race of life; and if after a hundred years (which is a short while in the life of any race) we have not succeeded, then condemn us and write us down failures.

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Officers elected by the conclave of the fifteen grand commanderies colored Knights Templars installed Aug. 11 at Chicago, Ill. They are: Most eminent grand command erMarshall T. Clay, Lexington, Ky.; deputy grand commander. S. M. Raines, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; grand generalissimo, R. M. Murray, Louisville, Ky.; grand captain-general, J. W. Coleman, Lexington, Ky.; grand prelate, J. J. Lee, Louisville, Ky.; senior grand warden, J. C. Coleman, Louisville, Ky.; juuior grand warden, T. H. Adams, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; grand treasurer, George Sutton, Louisville, Ky.; grand recorder, William H. Bullitt, Louisville, Ky.

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Richard M. Johnson, an aged colored man, of Ashtabula, Ohio, claims the distinction of having given to Chester Allan Arthur, the twenty-fifth President of the United States, his first law case. Particular interest centers 'round this famous case of nearly 50 years ago, not alone because it was an important stepping stone for Mr. Arthur, but because it was the first case in New York State under the fugitive slave law of 1850. The case was known as "the Lemmon Slave Case." Johnson was born a slave near Winchester, Va. When 20 years old he was "sold South," but escaped and made his way undiscovered to the mountains, where for nearly a year his companions were the wild beasts which then inhabited that section and a faithful dog. A few anti-slavery agitators had flocks of sheep which herded in these mountains, and to these agitators Mr. Johnson was indebted for his subsistence during his extended hide in the wilderness. In the side of a mountain he built a cave which was his home. Many a night he remembers seeking a place of safety from the wild beasts. He claims that during that year in the mountains he traversed ground never before trodden by human beings. But he was captured while trying to pass to the North by means of bogus freedom papers, and was given 100 lashes because he refused to tell who had made out the papers for him. Once again, however, Johnson escaped. While employed as a waiter at a hotel in Cleveland, in 1852, he heard a boarder read an account of the arrival in New York of a Norfolk vessel with slaves who were to be transferred to another vessel for shipment to Texas. Jonathan Lemmon was in charge of the slaves. New York Abolitionists jumped upon the cargo at once and soon the case became a "cause celebre." Lemmon was Johnson's former master, and Johnson, feeling that the slaves must be his brothers and sisters, gathered up his savings and "went into the lion's mouth." Chester A. Arthur, counsel for the slaves, found in Johnson a powerful ally and when they had won the case Johnson made off with the fugitives to Canada.

About the City.

Erin, Tenn., Special.

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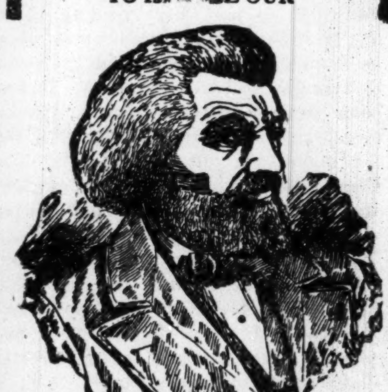

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PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Will Green, of 827 Superior street is indisposed.

Mrs. Ella Clay has returned from a pleasant visit to Chicago.

Mrs. A. C Bybee and daughter are visiting friends in Muncie.

Mr. Richard Curry, of Greenfield, Ind., was in the city Sunday.

Miss Ollie McConley, of Stowers, Ky., is visiting Mrs. Lizzie Twgman.

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Miss M. B. Scott, of Greenville, Miss., has returned to this city after a pleasant visit with her parents.

Mr. Addie Bolden, of Vernon, Ind., is the guest of his sister Mrs. Will Green of 827 Superior street.

New York Excursion Tickets via Pennsylvania Lines will be good returning until Sept. 30th. Ask City Ticket Agent, about them.

Mrs. Will Carter and Mrs. Hart of Chicago are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Carter of 607 Donnan street.

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The farewell reception tendered Rev. D. A. Graham last Tuesday night at Bethel church was a fitting final for the good work the Reverend gentleman has done during his stay in Indinapolis. During the evening talks were made by Bishop Arnett, the several pastors of the city and many prominent citizen. Music was furnished by Martin's orchestra. In behalf of the trustee board Mr. Willis Kersey presented Rev. Graham a beautiful gold headed cane.

Miss Emma Williams left Sunday for Chicago after a pleasant visit to Mrs. J. Tobens of 6th street and relatives of the city.

Mrs. Jessie Caldwell and daughter Aurelia returned home last Sunday, after a pleasant stay of one week in Cincinnati.

Mrs. Mattie Sissle has been confined to her home for the past week with an abscess on her ear which was indeed quite painful.

Ask local Ticket Agent Indianapolis, about the special excursion tickets to New York over Pennsylvania Lines which anybody may buy from him Sept. 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th.

Mrs. Elwood Knox accompanied by Mrs. Sweenie, of Fayette street left Wednesday for Shelbyville, Ky., where they will be in attendance at colored fair.

Mrs. Lucy Vandyke gave a beautiful porch party at the residents of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Carter in 607 Donnan street in honor of her cousion Miss Emma Williams, Mrs. Will Carter, Mrs. Hart, of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. Addie Bolden of Vernon, Ind.

Removel Notice.

Grant H. Clay M. D., Dentist will remove to 108 N. Illinois street on or about Sept. 1st.

An Agreeable Surprise.

At a very late hour, after class on Tuesday and while Rev. Sissle was preparing to retire a strange voice called from the outside asking shelter for the night. He was very reluctant about answering the call, but he finally opened the door, and to his agreeable surprise he found not a stranger but one of the leaders of a party of donators. The following persons were represented in the shower. Many good things hailing from their hands:

Mary Jones, Emma Taylor, Grace Barber, Carrie Ross, Lucretia Barber, Mildred Price, Mary Motley, Mary Hutchingson Mittie Bolden, Amie Barber, Minnie Scott, Lula Pittman, Irene Franklin, Jennie Rogister, Mamie Jones, Dr. B. J. Morgan, Kittie Jones, Morgan Watkins, Geo. Washington, Jno. Roney, Harriet Briggs. Rev. Sissle and family surely appreciated their coming, and hope that they will call again soon.

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A. M. E. Annual Conference.

The Annual Conference of the A. M. E. church opened its session Wednesday in Allen Chapel at 8:30, the house was crowed with an appreciative audience and among the most distungushed were the addressess made by Mr. Gurley Brewer, Rev. Dr. C. S. Smith, His Excellency, Gov. James A. Mount and proxey to Mayor, Taggart, Hon. Bookwalter, Bishop B. W. Arnett and others. The speeches were all good and fitting to the occasion and the church ulogized and partially traced from its origin to the credit of the race. A grand reception was given in the lecture room to honor of the Bishop, prepaired by the ladies.

Excursion tickets to New York will be sold via Pennsylvania Lines Sept. 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th at $16.55 from Indianapolis. Purchasers may remain in New York until Sept. 30th, when the big Dewey celebration will be held there.

Brooklyn Budget.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Special.

Bobby Dobbs the colored fighter who has knocked out all the English champions during his stay in England arrived on the steamship Barabosa, of the North Llyod Line, Aug 23rd. He was met at the pier in Hobokeri by the members of the Waldorf Club of this city in ten open barouches. John Dunn met Dobbs as the representative of the Coney Island Sporting Club, where Dobbs will fight while here. Dobbs was one of the best dressed men on the boat and trunks in sufficient. A. M. Hodges the noted author and poet, left for Norfolk, Va., Aug., 23, where he intends spending his vacation. A large delegation of newspaper men saw him off. Miss Mabel Myers of 261 Hendrix street has gone to pay her uncle Alonzo Myers a visit. Mr. Myers resides in Hempstead, L. I., and conducts one of the largest shoe establishments of that town.

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Camp Meeting Closed.

Huntington, Va., Special.

The Camp meeting held in Progress Grove, broke up Sunday night with good results. Brother Snowden, the pastor, has been laboring quite ardiously in this meeting. Several colored persons were arrested down at Cliffside Park recently for drunkedness and disorderly conduct. The Ashland News a white paper took special pains to enlarge upon the affair in its columns stating that they came down with a picnic party and were representatives of the toughest element of the colored population of Huntington." We are sorry to say that the paper was sadly mistaken, as the parties were not from Huntington, but from Guyandotte. We hope that people will learn a lesson from this affair and in the future act like ladies and gentlemen when in public places like this. The whites will judge us by the toughest element. Dr. Payne has returned from Pt. Pleasant, where he attended the Mt. Olivet Association. He reports one of the best meetings since its organization. Chas. Seals has one of the finest tonsorial parlors in the city.

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Officers Elected.

The Indiana Baptist Ministeral Association which met in Princeton, Ind., Aug. 23rd, elected the following officers: President, Rev. J. W. Carr, Indianapolis; vice-president, W. Z. Thomas, Princeton; secretary, W. B. Clark, Shelbyville; assistant secretary, D. M. Turner, Crawfordsville; corresponding secretary, J. R. Miller, Edinburg; treasurer, S. Day, Terre Haute. The sessions were well attended.

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Among The Churches.

Springfield, O., Special.

Quarterly meeting was held at the North street A. M. E. church Aug., 27, at which time 114 persons communed. Rev. Dickerson preached both morning and evening. Miss Mamie Vance is convalesent. Chas. and Harry Conway, spent Sunday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. I. Conway. Mrs. Madison and mother of Piqua spent Sunday with J. W. Moore and wife of the daughters home. Miss Wells sang at Mechanicsburgh, on the 28th of August, at the benefit of Rev. Wilson formerly of the St. John Baptist church. Miss Clara Lynden left for her school in Henderson, Ky. Mrs. Martin of Lebanon, was the guest of Mrs. Sarah Viney the past week. The Misses Morgan are the guests of Mrs. J. W. Moore of the daughters home. Miss Susie Rudd went to Cincinnati Sunday. Miss Wilson is the guest of Mrs. Frank Edmonson of Front street. Miss Rosie Dent left for Shelbyville, Ind., to teach school. Mrs. Bell Birsco is on the sick list. Jones and Harvey have opened a first class restaurant on west High street. Wm. Roberson has commenced the erection of a new house on Maple avenue.

News Notes.

Ironton, O., Special.

Mrs. Thomas Edwards is visiting her parents in Gallipolis, O. Rev. Goble, of Yellow Springs, preached at Friedstone church on the 20th, during Rev. N. S. Merritt's absence attending the association at Pinegrove, O. Mrs. Maggie Hamilton who has been visiting friends in Ironton returned home Thursday. The Misses Carrie Mangrun, Rosie Winston and Willie Taylor, of Huntington, were visiting friends in Ironton Sunday.

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News Notes.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Special.

Mrs. J. Owens visited a few weeks in Ohio with relatives. Mr. Wm. Beem spent a week ending Aug. 19, in Cincinnati. Mrs. Gertrude Thompson and Lillian Pettiford left Aug. 17, for Petoskey where they will camp the rest of the summer. Mrs. T. P. Wright and daughter Etta left Aug. 19, to visit Petoskey, Mackinaw and other places through the north. Miss Jones, of Lansing is visiting Mrs. J. S. Thomas. On Wednesday Aug. 16, Mr. and Mrs. Hobbs of Henry street entertained a large number of their friends at their home. The evening was spent in card playing and in dancing. Dainty refreshments were served. Rev. L. Pettiford returned Aug. 14, from a few days visit in Mackinaw.

Colored Bass Ball Team.

Logansport, Ind., Special.

Herbert Glover has gone to Peru. Miss Eliza Sanders of South Bend is visiting her cousin Miss Elveia Russell. John Brown has accepted a position at the Murdock Hotel. Miss Minnie Christian of Kalamazoo, Mich., is visiting her sister Mrs. Chas. Parker. She was accompanied by Mrs. Robert Weaver who will visit relatives in Marion, Ind., before returning home. George Parker, George Hill and Wesley Gray were in Peru last week. Henry Chavis has left the city. The local colored team defeated the Lafayette boys in a game of bass ball at Spencer Park. Were they in it? Not at any stage of the game. Our boys made them look like amatuers. Miss Elvira Russell entertained the young people last Tuesday evening in honer of her cousin, Miss Sanders of South Bend. Mrs. C. H. Parker, entertained last Tuesday evening in honor of her guests Mesdames Hedgebeth and Weaver of Kalamazoo, Mich. A very A very sociable crowd gathered and reported a very pleasant time. Mrs. McDaniel of Jeffersonville, Ind., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Carter. Miss Jefferson of Lafayette is the guest of her relatives Mr. and Mrs. Winslow. Mrs. Hillock of New Albany is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. H. Harris Mrs. Frank Carter and son have returned from their trip in Kentucky.

News Notes.

Decatur, Ill., Special.

Mrs. John Williamson and son George of this city are visiting friends at Broadlands, Ill. General Blakley, of Bowling Green, Ky., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dile last week. Miss Christina Kemp, niece of Officer Miller and Miss Jennie Simms are both very ill. Mrs. William Tapp and daughter, Miss Laura of Jamesburg, Ill., visited the family of Louis Ernest. Miss Effie Grundy entertained a few of her lady friends Sunday afternoon in honor of Miss Laura Tapp, of Jamesburg, Ill. Misses Lillie Howard and Effie Grundy left Monday for Bloomington, Ill., where they will visit friends. Aug. 20, was Quarterly Meeting at St. Peter's A. M. E. church.

Interesting Notes

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

The Clarksville base ball club returned from Hopkinsville Aug. 20, where they played Friday and Saturday winning both days. A grand cake walk was given in honor of the Clarksville boys Friday night and was fairly won by Bob Hester of this city but the Kentucky judges decided in favor of a Kentuckian. They were entertained at the home of Mrs. Launders by a social Saturday night with the exception of an error by Joe Starks and the unwholesome diet received by the Clarksville boys, everything went well. Mr. James Luckett of Hopkinsville, Ky., was married to Miss Lady Dabney, of this city recently. Misses Daisy Candle and Lena Warfield are guests of friends in Hopkinsville. The Nashville base ball club under the management of W. C. Ewing of Nashville who were scheduled to play here on Aug. 14, 15 and 16, failed to put in their appearance here and left Henderson under the cover of darkness for parts unknown. It has been since learned that Mr. Ewing dreaded coming here as he feared a defeat and a shut out of his club. The Clarksville club has now in its employ, the celebrated pitcher all around player "Frenchy" (Horace Jackson) the Globe Trotter who has played with the various national league teams. The club has defeated the following clubs up-to-date Paducah, Elton, Hopkinsville and several minor clubs. The rotten decisions of the umpire caused them to lose to the clubs of Mt. Vernon and Evansville. Messrs. Williams Cary and Felix Hughes returned recently from the East. Mr. Tom Cantrell with several other Clarksville gentlemen will run a special R. R. excursion to Evansville, Ind., on Sept. 10, at the low price $1.50 round trip. Mr. Waddell has resigned his position in the Arlington hotel. Mr. Tom Keesee returned from Springfield, Aug. 20. Attorney Fountain, of Alabama has been refused a license to practice here. An excursion went to Springfield recently on the Big Four to attend the annual Association held in Springfield July 20. Mrs. Waddell recently returned from a pleasure trip in the north. Messrs. Wm. Cary, George Saunders and Miner Baker will soon leave for Indianapolis. Messrs. Robt Lewis and Jim Gill of the Clarksville base ball club are on the sick list. Mr. Samuel Gibbs manager of the Brotherhood base ball club of Louisville issued a bona fide challenge to the club in this city to play there recently. His challenge was not accepted on reasonable grounds. Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Kivel of Paducah, Ky., together with the club there under the management of Mr. Ben Boyd showed great kindness to the club during their stay there. A grand entertainment, was given at Cales Grove on Aug. 8, by the churches and Warfield Lodge. An excursion will leave here on Aug. 26, for Memphis Tenn. Mr. Harvey Cobb returned from Louisville, Ky., recently. Mr. Wm. Dortch of Louisville, Ky., was in the city a few weeks ago. When in the city visit Steele and White's barber shop and get The Freeman.

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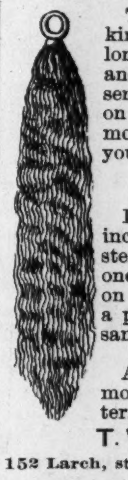

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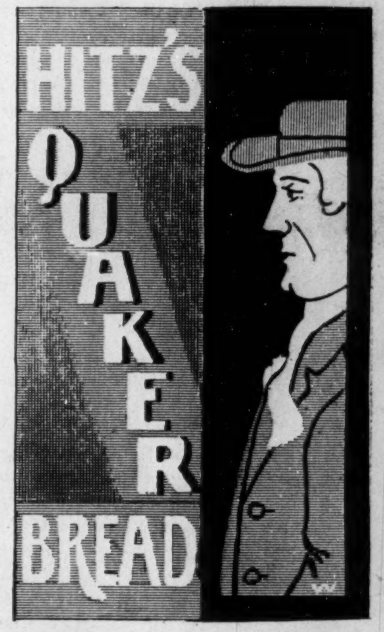

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